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REGULATED COMPETITION VERSUS SOCIALISM

At a meeting of the Science Undergraduate Society Mr. Mayers of the Quebec Bridge Commission read a very interesting paper on "Regulated Competition vs. Socialism."

Mr. Mayers was introduced by Mr. Mitchell, President of the Science Undergrad., and after saying he was honored by the invitation to address the Society he read his paper.

"When the men attending University reach the point where they will take an interest in public life, all reforms, useful or otherwise, will be submitted to them. The purpose of civilization is to promote a higher intellectual standing in the universe and to stamp out all the lower forms of living. In the course of progress individuals of higher society and down to their descendants the benefits and discoveries which they have received or discovered. The use of tools increased the proficiency of mankind and made them fit themselves better for attack and defense, and helped their descendants to better themselves. Families which have a monopoly on certain kinds of tools

leave them to their descendants and by this means they increase the superior and decrease the inferior classes. Efficient co-operation of clans or families must have peace within. But culture brought slaves and slave-owning landholders increased their money, but not their brains. Conquerors used their conquered as slaves who after a certain time become serf and change from one state to another, until they become free-tenants and eventually landowners.

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To arrange it so that there should be equal distribution it is necessary (Continued on page 3.)

CORRESPONDENCE PUBLISHED BELOW DEALS WITH ARTICLE IN YESTERDAY'S PAPER

The Matter of the Use of the Bowling Alleys in Strathcona Hall Thoroughly Explained by Many Letters from Varied Sources

ANNOUNCEMENT BY Y. M. C. A. TO BE MADE LATER

Wednesday, 11, 12, 1912.

The Editor The McGill Daily,
Some announcements appear in today's "Daily" concerning the use of the Strathcona Hall bowling alley by students of the Royal Victoria College, which come as news to us all here.

All that we have heard of is that a formal invitation may be coming from Strathcona Hall with the approval of its Advisory Committee that the members of Strathcona Hall have the privilege of inviting lady friends to a game of bowls within certain hours on certain days. This is a very different suggestion from proposals referred to by the "Daily," and one about which we have been very courteously consulted by the Committee of Strathcona Hall.

I may add that all Athletic Enterprises at the College are under the management of the Athletic Association of the Undergraduate Society, which is associated with the Physical Education Department, and I understand that the Association knows nothing of the matter referred to in the "Daily."

Yours very truly,
ETHEL HURLBATT.

December 11th, 1912
Editor, "McGill Daily."

Dear Sir:—

Anyone reading your article in today's "Daily" concerning the students of the Royal Victoria College and bowling at Strathcona Hall would gain an entirely erroneous idea of the situation.

The facts are these: A science student came to the House Committee of Strathcona Hall with the request that he be allowed the privilege of bringing lady friends to bowl occasionally. The House Committee could see no good reason for refusing this request provided that the hours were

such as would not find the Hall crowded with men and would not interfere too much with the use of the alleys by the men, for whose benefit the building was erected.

Your article would indicate that there is an intense interest for bowling among the Donalds, where as for all that we know to the contrary nothing is farther from the truth.

After consultation with the Advisory Committee of the McGill Y.M.C.A. and with the Warden of the Royal Victoria College, the House Committee decided to grant to men students the privilege of bringing lady friends to bowl during certain hours and days, of which due announcement will be made later.

Believe me yours sincerely,
K. W. DOWIE.

Editor of the McGill Daily,

Dear Sir:—

I think there must be some mistake connected with the article which appeared in Wednesday's issue of the "Daily", in reference to the bowling alley, in Strathcona Hall, being open to the students of the R.V.C.

From the article the impression is given that arrangements have been made for the use of the alleys by the R.V.C. Athletic Society and even that bowling competitions may be introduced.

I wish to state that the Athletic Society of the R.V.C. has no knowledge whatever of any proposals connected with Strathcona Hall. As all matters connected with Athletics are dealt with by the College Athletic Society, I wish to state that the "Daily's" article was in no way official nor authentic.

K. WILDER,
President of the Athletic Society of the R.V.C.
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TAKE A TIP

This is the time of the year when one and all are making preparations to give Xmas gifts and to send cards of greeting to distant friends. Crowds of purchasers hover around the Christmas card counters endeavouring to secure suitable tokens of remembrance. All the stores are in gala attire and their windows are decorated with Christmas wares, while the papers are full of advertisements which suggest various articles as appropriate gifts.

This editorial is frankly nothing more or less than an advertisement. We wish to suggest to our readers a method of sending a remembrance to distant friends and a means whereby they can take home with them a souvenir of Old McGill; a souvenir which will bear witness to the marked progress which has been made along many lines of endeavour at this University during the last three sessions.

We refer to the Xmas edition of the McGill Daily, which will appear next Monday and which will be in every way a worthy souvenir of our Alma Mater. This issue will be a 24 page large size magazine. It is profusely illustrated and decorated and contains some remarkable double and single page cuts. This number will be on sale at the Student's Supply and the Union next Monday for the small sum of ten cents.

There will be only some nine hundred copies of this edition for sale and we wish to advise our readers to get in early and avoid the rush as we feel confident that there will be a big demand for copies of this number. A Xmas edition in Magazine form is a new and extensive undertaking and promises to be a success in every way. Take a Tip and secure a copy before they all go.

FINEST MEDICAL LIBRARY IN THE WEST IS DEDICATED

With dedicatory exercises fitting to the new building whose erection marks a milestone in the history of medical science, the Levi Cooper Lane library of medicine and surgery was formally opened last Sunday afternoon in San Francisco. Timothy Hopkins, President of the Board of Trustees, presided at the services. Among the speakers were Doctor Jordan, Doctor Emmett Rixford, professor of surgery, and Reverend Bradford Leavitt.

The library, which is the finest medical library west of the Mississippi and the seventh in size in the United States, is located at Sacramento and Webster streets, opposite the old Cooper Medical College which is now a part of Stanford University. Forty thousand volumes of books on medicine stand as a monument to its founder, Dr. Levi Cooper Lane. The building has the capacity for 120,000 volumes, with vacant ground adjoining on which an addition can be constructed, which will give the library an almost unlimited capacity. The building was erected at the cost of \$125,000, and is of reinforced concrete and fireproof.

The building is dedicated to the cause of education and humanity, but in addition has the distinction of being the first structure of a strictly non-utilitarian character other than the churches to be completed in the

rebuilding of San Francisco. Timothy Hopkins, President of the Board of Trustees, spoke on the significance of the opening of the library to the advancement of medical science on the Pacific Coast. Doctor Rixford told of the history of the founding of the library. Doctor Jordan took up the topic "The Relation of the University to Medicine."

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At a meeting of the entire undergraduate and faculty bodies of Dartmouth last week, it was announced that Wallace F. Robinson of Boston, has made a gift of \$100,000 to the trustees of the college to be used in the erection of a new building to house the student organizations which are non-athletic. Mr. Robinson's hope is that the building may be of some service in counteracting the emphasis that is now put upon college athletics.

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Lightweight Contest:— Ferrier, Johnstone.

Featherweight Competition:— Wilkins, Pilcher, Gillanders.

In addition to these, Ferguson and Bisset will probably be on in the Novices at 150 pounds; other bouts are being arranged.

WRESTLING

Bantam weight Competition:— Reid, Bone, Ewart.

Lightweight Competition:— Ramsey, Montgomery, H. Tucker.

Middleweight Competition:— G. S. Tucker, Trapp, A. N. Otter.

Heavyweight Competition:— Mercier, McLean, Rothley.

In addition to these Novices Competitions there will be the following bouts:—

Andette, Davies, at 125 pounds.

McPhail, Ford, at 145 pounds.

The feature of the evening will be a bout between "Lightning" Hamilton and Doran of the M.A.A.A. Hamilton is a former lightweight champion of Canada.

Will all competitors in the Novices Classes be at the gymnasium on Friday at 5 o'clock. The Club photograph will be taken at one o'clock on Saturday next.

Poising Competition:— Griggs, Auld, Locock, Lynch.



THE ALUMNAE SOCIETY.

The regular meeting of the Alumnae Society of the Royal Victoria College was held in the Common Room, Tuesday, December 10th at 4.30. After tea had been served Dr. Bruce Taylor gave an address on Pepp's Diary.

Dr. Bruce Taylor made this interesting work still more interesting by explaining the spirit of the time in which it was written. The work was started in 1660 when the efficient despotism of whom Cromwell's reign was giving away to a grand reaction.

Pepp's Diary was especially remarkable in that it gave an exact picture of the daily life and thoughts of a middle-class man of the time. Written in a key which he thought would never be deciphered, it reveals the spirit of the time in a way which other diarists writing their works as pieces of literature could never do.

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The loss of his eyesight compelled Pepp to end his diary in 1659 and it is a matter of great regret that it could not have been continued longer.

In 1825 the manuscript was deciphered by finding the shorthand reports of some speeches written at the same time.

Miss Cameron moved a vote of thanks to Dr. Bruce Taylor and the meeting adjourned till the 6th of January, when the Society will be addressed by Prof. Slack.

R.V.C. 1915.

At a class meeting held on Tuesday at 1 o'clock, Miss A. Purdy and Miss Harvey, were elected as debaters for the second year in the Delta Sigma debate with the Freshies after Christmas.

Miss M. Bennetts was elected Sports Manager.

Yesterday there appeared in the Daily an article relating to the use of the Bowling Alleys of Strathcona Hall by the Students of the Royal Victoria College, which owing to some misunderstanding was a gross misstatement of fact.

The only foundation that the article could have had lay in the fact that several of the officers of the Y. M.C.A. had spoken to Miss Hurlbatt regarding the use of the Bowling Alleys. They proposed that, if it should be acceptable to the Royal Victoria College Students on certain afternoons. Students who wished to do so might invite any members of the Royal Victoria College to bowl. However as yet not even an official

COST OF LIVING HIGHER SAYS REPORTS FROM COLLEGE PAPERS

A Revision of Schedule in McGill Calendar Suggested

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In conclusion the various arts develop from their spheres and if we wish to make a success of life we must choose a trade and adopt certain rules so as to make the trade profitable to all. Also secure justice and learn the laws of different families, individuals and states, and so propagate co-existence and sequence.

Mr. Mitchel then tendered a vote of thanks on behalf of the Society to Mr. Mayers for his interesting paper.

Professors Brown and Mackay then said a few words to students, the minutes of last meeting were read, and then the Society adjourned.

invitation had been received and the undergraduate president was the only one who had heard anything at all on the subject.

Nothing need be said about the feeble attempt at wit in the remainder of the article, but the Royal Victoria College very naturally object to being thus misrepresented in the Undergraduate paper.

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CHAPTER IV.

For this competition, I may mention in case anyone is ignorant of the details, the gentlemen are stationed with thread at one end of the deck while the ladies with needles are at the other, and at a given signal they start running to the gentlemen, who receive the needles and thread them more or less slowly according to the practice they have had. Then the ladies rush back, and she who reaches the post first is declared the winner, provided always as will be seen, that the gentleman has done his part fairly.

On this occasion after I had been stationed trembling with thread in hand at one end of the deck, the ladies about ninety yards away started for us. As I saw them coming at full speed for all the world live a charge of the Amazons I was tempted to flee, but remembering my responsible position stood my ground like a man, and only a man unfortunately, for woman's fingers would have helped me much in this hour of need.

Miss Corey was one of the first to reach us, but it seemed that I had only received the needle in my hand when another girl with hers threaded started running back. She was an easy first and had reached the other end by the time that I, mentally cursing her partner for his uncalled for domestic proficiency, had finally succeeded in getting the thread through and sent Miss Corey back, one of the last runners. She ran so well however, that only one girl after the first prodigy beat her to the tape, and on the first lady being disqualified because as it turned out, her partner had handed her another needle already threaded in order to save himself trouble, we were able to

claim second place and thus just came within the prize-money—truly noble work on Miss Corey's part.

Flushed with success, and after receiving the congratulations of Maxwell and the Admiral who with twinkling eyes prophesied for me a splendid future in the domestic line, and Barrymore roused by his listlessness by Miss Corey's smart work, we rested for a while and watched others amuse the company.

As the afternoon wore on however, and the cigarette race became the next event on the programme, I began to instruct Maxwell in the goodly art of lighting a match in a breeze for there was a certain amount of wind at the time. It was rather fascinating work, for I had to show her with much care the best way to hold her hands, and her eagerness to know the approved scientific method was quite delightful. I was really sorry when the master of ceremonies announced the race and led the ladies up to the other end.

This competition was a good deal on the same style as the other. The gentlemen with cigarette in mouth ran to their partners who then struck the match and gave a light, after which we had to run back, all this time without removing the cigarette.

We got off to a good start and I soon found I had the pace of the others with the exception of one young fellow who in his leisure moments played three-quarter-back on the Scotch International Rugby team. However I did my best, and as I had been something of a runner myself in my younger days I arrived at the other end about a yard in advance of the Scotchman. Here a shameful thing happened, for seeing Maxwell so flushed and pretty, eagerly holding the match in the approved method within her shapely hands, and noticing that my rival's partner had not yet got hers lit I leaned forward and on pretense of lighting the cigarette deliberately blew out the match. Maxwell looked up amazed.

"I could not leave you so soon," I whispered.

She tried to look indignant but a tell-tale dimple appeared and I knew I was forgiven. She quickly lowered her head so as not to let the dimple become too pronounced, while I said, "I will go now if you will favour me with another match."

The second attempt at lighting was not so successful however; she burnt her fingers several times but the match would go out before I could get a light. Finally I succeeded, but not before all the other men including my Scotch International had started back, the latter however only getting off a yard or so before me.

It was really quite a race. One man had got a long lead, but we soon passed the others and caught him ten yards from the tape where a handkerchief would have covered the distance between all three of us. I felt I had to offer atonement however and made a last effort. Two yards from the end I hurled myself forward in a last spring and lit the tape first, inches only separating me from the Scotchman. I sprawled all over the deck as I fell forward, and the latter was the first to assist me to rise.

"You ran a great race," he said, as soon as he could speak. "I'm thinking I remember your name now. You won the hundred for Oxford, didn't you?"

"That was years ago," I answered gasping, "and I certainly don't feel much like running now."

Everybody laughed at that, for I had put my last effort into the race and from the way I was feeling must have borne some sort of family resemblance to a limp rag. However, I soon recovered, and with the rest of the party settled down to watch the last couple of events on the programme.

"You seemed very slow with that match, Maxwell," said the Admiral. "I thought Wentworth would never get started back again."

I looked at Maxwell who was turning somewhat pink.

"I'm afraid that was my fault," I said. "When I got to the other end I was gasping so hard that I must have quite blown the match out."

"Hm. You seemed to have enough in you for the return journey all the same."

"By the time I had blown out half a dozen matches I had a chance to recover, Sir," I answered, laughing. "Well, he atoned all right, didn't

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he, Maxwell?" said the Admiral turning to her.

She hesitated while I watched in silent amusement.

"He made me burn my fingers several times, and if he hadn't have won I should never have forgiven him," she said.

"However as it is—" said the Admiral.

"Yes, as it is—" I cried. "Well, I suppose I shall have to," said Maxwell laughing.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

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